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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Li et al.

Serial No. 09/938,056

Filing Date: August 23, 2001

For MULTI-STEP POLISHING SYSTEM
AND PROCESS OF USING SAME

Examiner: George Nguyen

Group Art Unit No.: 3723

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MAY 18, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicants file the enclosed response to the Final Office Action dated May 18, 2004 as follows:

Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.